

School Savings Records Blow To Future Crop of Wild Oats

Latest figures in school savings throughout the country indicate that a drought is due to hit the wild oat harvest of the future. Instead of the youth of the land sowing the seeds of thrift in the fallow ground offered by many of the country's banking institutions, and an altogether different harvest is beginning to tip the wild oat stubble.

Latest figures of the school savings deposits of the Bank of Italy show that on March 31 there was exactly \$2,081,065.14 in this account and there were pass books in the hands of just 125,234 child-depositors. And taken by and large,

the big deposit total did not appear to have created any slump in the lollypop, "movie", or ice cream markets. The lunch period "hot-dog" stand seems to be getting as much play as ever before, while the child customers of the soda counters have increased, if anything. The Bank of Italy makes a feature of school savings.

A cross-section of school savings figures in the United States is offered by a recent report of the American Bankers' Association, and is a revelation in the broads made by the spirit of thrift on the old, loose order of unchecked and unaccounted-for child spending. The record showed that there were

11,871 schools and 3,403,746 pupils participating in school savings plans on June 30, 1926. The deposits were \$20,469,160, which showed an increase of \$3,508,400 in a single year. In the same period there was an 18.5 percent increase in the number of depositors and a 20.6 percent increase in the number of deposits. The total bank balance was \$31,984,052 for school savings.

In other words the school children of the United States have enough in the bank to build four or five enormous skyscrapers or to establish a good-sized town.

The association's record shows that California is second in the amount of deposits and third in the number of school depositors, being topped in the first instance by Pennsylvania, which has \$5,616,533 in deposits. That state has 493,820 school child depositors as against 547,149 for New York. California's total number of child depositors is 214,903.

It is interesting to note that while there are 322,246 fewer child depositors in California than New York, the total deposits of the Golden State top the Empire State by \$62,772. There are many conclusions that can be drawn from this, the first one being that the per capita wealth of California is greater than that of New York, and that this condition is reflected right down to the tiniest depositor in the family circle. It indicates that California children have more to spend than New York children, and consequently more to save.

The bank balance shows a total of \$3,813,297 for California as against \$3,750,555 for New York, with both the Golden State and the Empire State making heavy gains.

The same encouraging signs are being noted everywhere. Children are being taught both how to spend and how to save, and everybody concerned is being benefited. The bank has not hurt the business of

those who used to garner in the nickels, dimes and pennies before the pass book joined the geography and the speller. What has happened is that the spirit of thrift engendered by the appearance of the pass book in the school has increased the money holdings of the pupils.

There are more laws being cut on Saturday afternoon for the welcome quarter. The rag-man is loaded up at the end of the day from the collection of usable refuse made by little hands. Dad's allocation for window washing and cleaning has been increased because a better job is being done, while mother has found that a few extra pennies mean more dusting and sweeping. The children are bound to spend. It cannot be said that they are depriving themselves of anything. But they are bound to save, as well. That means extra effort and better work.

So the wild oat harvest, that was usually seeded to the waste of money that was placed in chubby little hands by over-indulgent or misguided parents, appears to be due for a drought cycle. The bank now forms an effective triangle with the school and the home in the campaign against waste and the fullest possible protection of the country's childhood.

"To Sweep the Cobwebs Out Of The Sky"



Will Ease Curve On Western Ave.

On the request of the city of Los Angeles the Torrance trustees Monday night appropriated \$300 as this city's share in the net cost of easing the curve in Western avenue at 19th street. The city of Los Angeles will pay its proportion and property owners will donate the necessary land. It is understood.

ATTENDS CONVENTION

Herbert Wood, principal of Torrance High School, last week attended the annual convention of the California High School Principals' Association at Sacramento. The meetings, which Mr. Wood describes as unusually interesting and instructive, were held in the new Sacramento Civil Auditorium.

CHURCH NOTES

CENTRAL EVANGELICAL
Arlington and Engracia. Phone 151. Francis A. Zeller, pastor. Sunday School, 9:45 a. m. Morning service, 11 o'clock. Subject of sermon, "Why Educate? Why Should Education Be Christian?" Evening service, 7:30 o'clock. Roy Brighton, secretary of the Christian Endeavor Union of Los Angeles County, will speak. The service will be conducted by members of the C. E. Society. There will be special music.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL
Rev. A. Lyall, pastor. Sunday School, 9:45 a. m. Our aim, "The whole church in the Sunday School." Morning worship, 11 o'clock. The theme will be "The Cost of a New World." Which strain is to prevail in human life?—the development of material ambition and resources, or the growth and influences of the Christian civilization? Evening worship, 7:30. The pastor's subject will be "Closed Doors." Bolts that fumbling fingers can't push back. Special singing at both services. Epworth League, 6:30. The topic for discussion among the young people, "The Standard of the Christian Life." All are cordially welcome.

CHRIST EPISCOPAL MISSION
1428 Engracia avenue. Rev. Harold H. Kelley, rector. Church School, 9:45 a. m. Morning service, 11 o'clock. Celebration of holy communion first Sunday of each month at 11 o'clock. The Woman's Guild meets the first and third Thursdays of the month at 2 p. m. in the Parish Hall, 1428 Engracia.

FIRST CHRISTIAN
Arlington and Engracia. Phone 226-W. B. H. Lingenfelter, pastor. Sunday School, 9:45 a. m. Scott R. Ludlow, superintendent. Morning service, 11 o'clock. Subject of sermon, "Seeing God." Evening service, 7:30 o'clock. Subject, "Christian Salesmanship." Y. E. S. C. E. at 6:30 p. m. Midweek meeting will be Tuesday evening at 7 o'clock.

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The Electric Equipment Company has the agency for USL radio and automobile batteries and about ten automobile ignition systems, including Auto-Lite, Delco, Remo, and Northeast. They are extending an invitation to all local automobile owners to have their battery tests made free of charge.

Mr. White's experience in the general electric and automotive electrical work covers over twelve years, and both he and Mr. Cook have come to Torrance from Long Beach.

They opened their doors for business this morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Farley Johnson have moved from Torrance to Pomona.

TORRANCE NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. J. Lawrence Haas of Downey were dinner guests Wednesday evening of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bowen of Marcellina avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Haydon spent the Easter holidays with relatives in Fresno.

Mrs. M. F. Peer of Marcellina avenue is the guest for two weeks of Mr. and Mrs. George Street of Redondo Beach.

Frank Garrison of Camda, who was a guest last week of his niece, Mrs. R. G. Tomkins, is now visiting another niece, Mrs. Gates, of Balboa Beach. Mr. and Mrs. Tomkins accompanied Mr. Garrison to the beach Sunday.

P.-T.A. NOTICE
The executive board of the P.-T.A. will meet at the elementary school at 1 o'clock Tuesday afternoon. A full attendance of the board is desired.

U. S. To Hold Exam For Clerk Carrier At Postoffice

The United States Civil Service Commission has announced an examination for clerk-carrier in the postoffice service at Torrance.

For information in regard to the requirements and the character of the examination, and for application blanks, apply promptly to the secretary, U. S. Civil Service Board, at postoffice, Torrance.

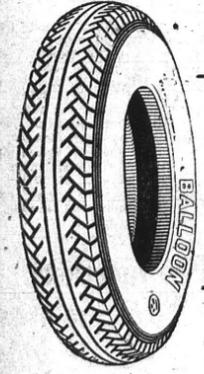
Wurlitzer's Sign Five-Year Lease

Wurlitzer's have signed a five-year lease on the store occupied by the music company at El Prado and Sartori. The lease was made through J. C. Smith of the Torrance Investment Company. Manager Rasmussen of the Wurlitzer store here says the business is excellent and the company regards Torrance as the shopping hub of the district.

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3500 miles in 56 hours, 47 minutes, 32 1/2 seconds total elapsed time. An average speed of 61.62 miles per hour.

4,414 miles in 72 hours total elapsed time. An average speed of 61.3 miles per hour.

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